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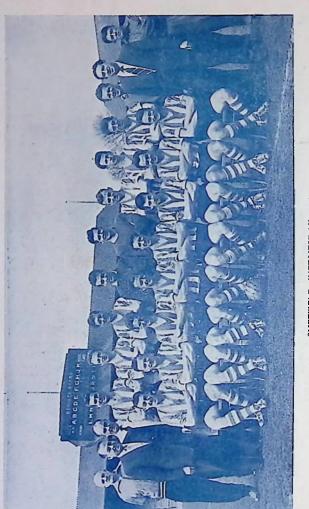
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY V. BARNSLEY

League Division 2.

Kick-off 3 p.m.



Hillsborough



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WEDNESDAY

FOOTBALL CLUB

HILLSBOROUGH - SHEFFIELD 6

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General Manager and Secretary: Eric W. Taylor.

Team Manager: Harry Catterick.

LL smiles again! The old club have won promotion for the fourth time in post-war football; and the sixth time in the club's history. Four times the feat has been accomplished after only one season in the Second Division. Hanging in the balance as we write is whether or not Wednesday go up into the First Division as Second Division champions for the fifth

The promotion issue was clinched in the match with Liverpool, a grim struggle made the more memorable by the cloud-burst soon after the second half began, which sent the ball—and sometimes the players—skidding for yards. Appropriately enough the one goal which gave Wednesday the points was scored by our captain, Redfern Froggatt,

His father, Frank Froggatt, was the captain of the Wednesday team that won the Second Division championship and promotion in 1925-26 and this is the fourth time Redfern has figured in Wednesday promotion teams. Incidentally, Norman Curtis and Alan Finney have each helped Wednesday to win promotion three times.

We think Froggatt deserves a special word of commendation on the part he has played and on having his best scoring season ever. Curtis, too, is congratulated on being the only player to play in every match; also Roy Shiner on his goal-crop and infectious enthusiasm.

There is not sufficient space to congratulate every player individually. All have done extremely well and there has been a splendid team spirit. When injuries have compelled changes deputies have stood the test capably.

In the handing out of bouquets there must be one to Mr. Harry Catterick, who, in his

first season as team manager, has had the pleasure of controlling a promotion-winning side. He has had his problems but it must have been satisfying to see our schoolboy signings such as John Fantham, Peter Swan and Tony Kay make the grade and firmly establish themselves.

Kay has additional cause to feel pleased, for last Monday he was chosen as England's left-half against Italy at Highbury in the Under-23s international on the eve of the Cup Final; also for the Continental tour. Tony, who is 22, joined our staff soon after leaving Shirecliffe School and made his League debut in season 1954-55.

Ralph O'Donnell is shortly to be presented with his second benefit award on completion of ten years' service. The amount will be £1,000 and he is the second Wadnesday player to receive a four-figure cheque; Dave McIntosh was the first. It will afford him some consolation following the cartilage operation he underwent last Monday. He hurt his knee in the Central League match with Liverpool Reserves last Saturdav.

During the next fortnight Kay and Jack Martin will receive their first benefit awards of £750. Some little time ago, Swan and Derek Wilkinson received similar awards, Next season Froggatt and Finney will qualify for £1,000 payments.

This season's total of benefit awards will be no less than £6.525 I

Next Tuesday night Wednesday meet Doncaster Rovers at Hillsborough in the Sheffield County Cup semi-final (kick-off 7.0 p.m.). The winners will meet Sheffield United in the Final on 4th May, also at Hillsborough. If Wednesday qualify it will be the third Sheffield derby of the season.



R. FROGGATT, Captain



N. W. CURTIS, ever-present to date



D. WILKINSON



P. SWAN



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R. A. J. SHINER



BARNSLEY HAVE THEIR BACKS TO WALL

N O one could have imagined, even three months ago, that Barnsley would be so badly situated as they are today, struggling desperately to escape relegation to the Third Division. At the end of the table having won 22 points from 24 matches. Since then their decline has been extraordinary, to say the least.

Of the next 30 possible points, the South Yorkshire team won only three by means of drawn matches with Rotherham United. Bristol Rovers and Grimsby Town. Include the F.A. Cup third round defeat against Brentford and you have a melancholy run of 16 matches without a win—sight defeats in a row up to last Saturday night. In those 16 matches only 12 goals were scored as against 37 conceded. A turn in fortune came last Monday when Swansea were beaten 3-1.

Needless to say Barnsley have been handicapped by injuries and we can well believe that the team have had a lot of bad luck in the playing sense. Once a team start going down the slippery slope everything seems to go wrong. That is the usual experience.

If Barnsley should be relegated it will be for the fourth time. The first time was in 1932, the second in 1938, and the third in 1853. However, they have never stayed down long, for once they won promotion at the first attempt (in 1838-39) and on the other two occasions in two seasons.

Although the club have so frequently been fighting against odds, it should be mentioned that they have twice been on the threshold of promotion to the First Division. They finished third in season 1914-15 and failed to win promotion in 1921-22 only on goal-average calculations. Notingham Forest finished top of the Second Division in 1922 with 56 points and Stoke and Barnsley were next in order each with 52.

For their home match with Swansea last Monday the attendance was returned at only 4,882 and last season the Oakwell average was but 13,866. On such support it is absolutely impossible to maintain Second Division football standards adequately.

What a problem it must be for the Barnsley board of Directors to keep the flag flying. We saw it in print, some time ago, that Barnsley had turned down offers for three players totalling the grand sum of \$60,000. The players named were Arthur Kaye and John McCann, the wingers, and Malcolm Graham inside-foward.

Barnsley kept faith with their loyal supporters, limited in numbers as they are. The time may come, however, when the club's hands will be forced. If they could get £60,000 now it would enable debts to be cleared and pave the way for floodlighting installation.

And mention of the floodlighting recalls a disheartening experience early in the season. The chairman, Mr. Joe Richards, who is, incidentally President of the Football League, and vice-president of the F.A., sent out 400 circulars to the town's business men seeking donations towards the £24,000 needed for installation of the lights. The response was poor in the extreme.

Easy to understand why so many players have been transferred by the club in the past. There have been times when Barnsley would have gone into bankruptcy had they not been able to transfer a player or two to get funds.

South Yorkshire is still remarkably rich young talent, A present instance is afforded by David Wright, a brilliant back, who got his first cap for England as amateur international against Wolves this season when he was 18-year-old head boy of Barnsley Grammar School. David, however, has his heart set on an industrial career. Football comes second to that.



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Roy SHINER

Alan FINNEY

Referee:
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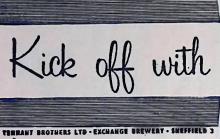
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Closing date for the Isle-of-Man Trip: Friday, 1st May. Don't forget the date of the Annual General Meeting, Wycliffe Hall, Channing Street, Thursday, 25th June. Nominations for all Officials to be in the Secretary's hands by the 18th June.

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